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- 1. WE HAVE FOR SOME TIME BEEN URGING FAITH AND HOPE SOCIETY OFFICIALS TO PREPARE ANNUAL REPORT. IN OCTOBER, 1974, AMBASSADOR DISCUSSED SUBJECT WITH MINRECONSTRUCTION OSMAN, WHO IS TREASURER OF THE CHARITY. OSMAN ACKNOWLEDGED HE HAD NOT THOUGHT OF IT, BUT AGREED SUCH A REPORT IS NECESSARY. HE SPOKE OF HAVING ONE PREPARED THROUGH DECEMBER, 1974, TO BE PUBLISHED IN JANUARY.
- 2. STAFFDEL JORDAN, WHEN VISITING EGYPT, AND POL/ECON COUNSELOR ALSO DISCUSSED SUBJECT WITH GEN HOSNY. LIKE OSMAN, HOSNY AGREED IN PRINCIPLE AND UNDERTOOK TO TRY TO SEE THAT ONE IS PREPARED. THERE IS NOT MUCH COORDINATION BETWEEN OSMAN AND HOSNY, BUT LATTER WAS ALSO PRESENT DURING AMBASSADOR'S AFOREMENTIONED TALK.
- 3. AS YET, WE HAVE SEEN NO INDICATION OF ANY SUCH REPORT. HOSNY, WHEN QUERIED TODAY, APOLOGIZED THAT PRESS OF WORK HAD NOT PERMITTED HIM TO ARRANGE FOR SUCH A REPORT TO BE WRITTEN. HE SPOKE OF ASKING DR. JOSEPH TRAUB, SRS, WHO IS CURRENTLY VISITING CAIRO TO ASSIST IN PREPARING REPORT. OSMAN HAS BEEN BUSILY ENGAGED IN SUEZ CANAL AREA RECONSTRUCTION AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OUT OF CAIRO FOR LONG PERIODS.

4. SUGGEST DEPT INFORM GAO THAT NO REPORT HAS YET BEEN PUBLISHED, BUT THAT WE ARE CONTINUING OUR EFFORTS TO ARRANGE THAT THIS BE DONE. AMBASSADOR EXPECTS SEE MME SADAT AND FAHMY IN NEXT FEW DAYS AND WILL RAISE MATTER WITH THEM. HE WILL FOLLOW UP WITH OSMAN AS OPPORTUNITY PERMITS. ADDITIONALLY, WE WILL REQUEST TRAUB TO REINFORCE OUR EFFORTS TO IMPRESS UPON HOSNY AND OTHERBOARD MEMBERS THE NEED FOR EXPEDITIOUS PUBLICATION OF SUCH A REPORT.

 $5.\ TO$  BEST OUR KNOWLEDGE, STATUS OF INITIAL USG CONTRIBUTION REMAINS THAT REPORTED CAIRO 1027979. EILTS

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